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CFR 1.9(f) AND 1.27(b) - INDEPENDENT INVENTOR

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Improved Powered Umbrella

described in:

- (X) the specification filed herewith
() application serial no. _____, filed: _____
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DECLARATION

CLYDE C. GRADY, II

the above-named petitioner, being sworn (or affirmed), deposes and says that he is a citizen of the United States of America and resident of the city of Baytown, State of Texas, that he verily believe himself to be the original, first, and sole inventor of the improvement in:

"IMPROVED POWERED UMBRELLA"

described and claimed in the foregoing specification; that he does not know and does not believe that the same was ever known or used before his invention thereof, or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before his invention thereof, or more than one year prior to this application; that said invention has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate in any country foreign to the United States of America or an application filed by him or his legal representatives or assigns more than twelve months prior to this application; that he acknowledges his duty to disclose information of which he is aware which is material to the examination of this application; and that no application for patent or inventor's certificate on said invention has been filed by him or his representatives or assigns in any country foreign to the United States.

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